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**To:** "Pam Grubaugh-Littig" <pamgrubaughlittig@utah.gov>  
**Date:** 10/16/2007 12:53 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Columbia - East Carbon Utah

Pam,

Thanks for your quick response!

Not sure I know all the appropriate questions to ask. Here are some of my questions and concerns:

1. What is the current status of the Lila Point mine application process? Is it available for review and comment?
2. What is the current status of the Columbia mine application process? Is it available for review and comment?
3. Is there an EIS for either or both of the operations? Are they available over the internet?
4. If so, does it specifically identify proposed mine access routes?
5. Does it define specific coal truck to railhead routes? This is an area of particular concern. If you've ever been to Columbia you know it is a small 'town' at the mouth of the Columbia Canyon the traditional entrance point for the mine. Based on the 24/7 operation of the 'C' mine just to the north with their 24/7 frequent trucks, any plan to move the coal and equipment through town would require a significant upgrade of the existing roads and effectively make the community unlivable. Similarly if either operation proposes the rehabilitation and use of the old railway continuous running and loading of trains would have a similar effect.

Livability is the fundamental question. If either of these mine are scheduled to begin operations over the next few years and their access plan includes either going through Columbia or even using state road 124 ( the Horse Canyon Road) it will influence my decision to further invest or divest in my Columbia home and studio.

I appreciate any information and help in understanding the process and or impacts.

Regards....Bruce

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pam Grubaugh-Littig [mailto:pamgrubaughlittig@utah.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 15, 2007 2:18 PM

To: Bruce Gillars

Cc: Mary Ann Wright; Susan White

Subject: Re: Columbia - East Carbon Utah

Mr. Gillars - I would be happy to answer any questions you have about the Columbia Mine or the Lila Canyon extension to the Horse Canyon Mine.

Please call me at 801-538-5268 (my voice mail will indicate if I am out of the office and I would be happy to return your call - please let me know when there is a good time to reach you).

Also - if you would like to write me your concerns by e-mail, that would also be fine.

Pam

>>> Susan White 10/15/2007 1:55 PM >>>

Bruce, Pam Grubaugh-Littig is the coal manager. She will be able to help direct you to information. Susan

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>>> "Bruce Gillars" <bruce.gillars@space.utah.edu> 10/15/07 1:08 PM >>>

Susan,

My name is Bruce Gillars. My wife and I own a house in Columbia - E.  
Carbon.

For many years we hear stories/rumors about the Columbia Mine and the  
Lila Point Mine starting operations. The opening of either operation  
potentially has significant effects our life and property.

Good information has been difficult for me to obtain. Is there a mailing  
list or other opportunity for involvement to keep informed of the latest  
developments?

I would appreciate any help or direction you might be able to provide.

Thanks!

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